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SUBJ: VISIT OF JACK BRIDGES, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

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1. JACK BRIDGES OF GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY'S CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (CSIS) VISITED TEHRAN DEC 2 AND 3. MORNING OF DEC 2 HE EXPLAINED CSIS "ENERGY DISPLAY" MODEL TO CHARGE AND DEC 3 VISITED WITH DR PARVIZ MINA, NIOC DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. BRIDGES EXPLAINED TO MINA HOW CSIS MODEL COULD BE USED TO VISUALIZE ENERGY PROBLEM, WHY IT HAD BEEN DEVISED (TO EXPLAIN TO LAYMEN THE NATURE OF THE PROBLEM), HOW IT HAD BEEN DESIGNED, AND HOW THE TECHNIQUE COULD BE ADAPTED TO ANALYSIS AND DISPLAY OF OTHER PROBLEMS, SUCH AS FOOD AND ECONOMIC PLANNING. BRIDGES GAVE HIS SAMPLE DISPLAY TO DR MINA.

2. MINA WAS CLEARLY IMPRESSED WITH BRIDGES' PRESENTATION. HE INDICATED THAT THE SAMPLE DISPLAY WOULD VERY LIKELY BE EXPLAINED TO THE SHAH. BRIDGES NOTED THAT AMB ZAHEDI HAD SAID THAT SHAH WOULD PROBABLY WANT TO KEEP IT ONCE HE SAW IT. HE PROMISED TO SEND MINA ANOTHER DISPLAY MODEL BASED ON POST-EMBARGO PROJECTIONS. HE CAUTIONED MINA THAT THE DISPLAY HE HAD BROUGHT WITH HIM WAS BASED ON PROJECTIONS MADE IN MAY 1973.

3. MINA INDICATED GREAT INTEREST IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE DESIGN OF THE DISPLAY SO NIOC COULD ADAPT THE TECHNIQUE TO PROBLEMS IT WANTED TO STUDY. AFTER DISCUSSION WITH DR MINA, BRIDGES TALKED FURTHER WITH MINA'S CLOSE AIDE, BAHRAM CHUBIN, WHO INDICATED THAT

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DR MINA WAS INTERESTED IN SENDING CHUBIN TO US FOR STUDY OF THE

ENERGY SITUATION. BRIDGES INDICATED CSIS MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE PROGRAM OF VISITS TO HILL, TO USG AGENCIES, AND OTHER ENERGY-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS. CHUBIN LATER CALLED TO SAY MINA MOST ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT HIS PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAM ARRANGED BY BRIDGES, OF WHOM MINA HAD EXCELLENT IMPRESSION. NEA/IRN MAY WISH TO PASS SUBSTANCE THIS CABLE TO CSIS DIRECTOR DAVID ABSHIRE.
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